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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE RED CROSS,  
NOVEMBER 7-16, 1973

REF: STATE 211045

1. POL COUNSELOR DISCUSSED USG INTEREST IN SEEKING  
EXPRESSION OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN ON MIA'S AT SUBJECT  
CONFERENCE WITH D.M. MILLER, DIRECTOR, LEGAL OPERATIONS  
DIVISION, EXTAFF, WHO WILL BE A MEMBER OF GOC DELEGATION,  
AND SAID USG WOULD WELCOME GOC SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP OF  
RESOLUTION AT CONFERENCE.

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2. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, MILLER SAID HE THOUGHT CANADA COULD SUPPORT SUCH A RESOLUTION AND HOPEFULLY CO-SPONSOR. HE INTENDED TO CIRCULATE TEXT OF POSSIBLE DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR COMMENT TO OTHER INTERESTED OFFICES AT EXTAFF AND NATIONAL DEFENCE. HE SAID IT WOULD FACILITATE GOC CO-SPONSORSHIP TO BE INFORMED OF OTHER CO-SPONSORS. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ESPECIALLY HELPFUL IF THE USG SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING THE NORDIC COUNTRIES AS CO-SPONSORS. HE SAID HE WOULD INFORM EMBASSY OF GOC DECISION ON OUR REQUEST.

3. MILLER WONDERED WHY USG BELIEVES THIS SUBJECT WOULD BE MOST APPROPRIATELY CONSIDERED IN THE GENERAL COMMISSION RATHER THAN THE COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW GIVEN OUR DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE AS A "HUMANITARIAN" PROBLEM (PARA 1 REFTEL).

4. HEAD OF CANADIAN DELEGATION WILL BE MAX H. WERSHOF, CURRENTLY CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHO WAS ALSO HEAD OF CANADIAN DELEGATION TO LAST QUADRENNIAL RED CROSS CONFERENCE IN ISTANBUL IN 1969. OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION IN ADDITION TO MILLER INCLUDE: CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO IRAN, JAMES GEORGE, DEPUTY HEAD; A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CIDA); PROF. J. SAMUELS, UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO; COLONEL K. P. WOLFE, NATIONAL DEFENSE; J. H. RICHARD, NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE.

5. MILLER WAS CONFIDENT THAT AMBASSADOR WERSHOF WOULD BE PLEASED TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR KELLOGG AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE TWO DELEGATIONS COULD MEET TO DISCUSS THE US ITEM AS WELL AS OTHERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST BEFORE NOVEMBER 7.

6. WERSHOF PLANS TO ARRIVE IN TEHRAN ON NOVEMBER 4; REMAINDER OF THE DELEGATION ON NOVEMBER 5.  
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